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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., FOR A
HEARING TO DETERMINE THE FAIR
VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY FOR
RATEMAKING PURPOSES TO FIX A
JUST AND REASONABLE RETURN
THEREON TO APPROVE RATES
DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH
RETURN AND FOR RELATED
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DOCKET NO. E-01575A-08-0328

RESPONSE TO SSVEC'S
PUBLIC FORUM REPORT

In Decision No. 71274 issued September 8, 2009, by order of the Arizona Corporation Commission, SSVEC was required "to docket by October 30, 2009 a report setting forth the manner and dates it shall **conduct public forums in the communities served by the planned 69kV line and associated upgrades.**

This report shall also discuss the topics to be addressed at the public forums and the topics shall include, but not be limited to, addressing how renewable energy generation (in particular distributed generation) could be incorporated into the generation plans to serve the area covered by the planned 69kV line and associated upgrades." Further noted in the decision was "The feasibility study

shall be available for discussion in public forums conducted by the Sulphur Springs Valley electric Cooperative, Inc. in the impacted communities.”

On October 30, 2009 SSVEC submitted a letter to Docket Control, Arizona Corporation Commission with an attachment outlining the schedule of public forums, “Public Forum Report”. As an intervenor in Docket No. E-01575A-08-0328 I take exception to this Report.

- 1.) SSVEC is suggesting that the public forums begin the week of February 1, 2010 and continue through March 28, 2010.
- 2.) SSVEC lists locations for the public forums which include three locations **outside** the communities served by the 69kV line and associated upgrades, specifically Benson, Willcox and Sierra Vista

In order to have open, transparent and objective forums to fully inform the public, I suggest the following:


- 1.) That all forums take place in the impacted communities, Sonoita, Elgin and Patagonia., not in other service areas of SSVEC.
- 2.) That the forums take place at a later date allowing time for discovery. A delay will in no way impact SSVEC’s required report due July 30, 2010.
- 3.) That the Study Team that produced the Feasibility Study be in charge of these forums because it is their report, their information

that is being reviewed and, most importantly, they are
"independent".

- 4.) That the locations chosen for the forums be large facilities such as Patagonia High School, Sonoita Fairgrounds and Elgin School.
- 5.) That a minimum of two rounds of forums be held, the first round to present the report and the second to receive feedback.

Finally, it would be important to have minutes taken of these forums that could be posted on SSVEC's website for cooperative members who are unable to attend one of the forums.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 12th day of January 2010,



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